

In the Claims:

- 1.(currently amended) A device for perfuming, deodorising or sanitising air or enclosed spaces which comprises:
  - a. an anhydrous gel element formed by cross-linking a functionalised liquid polymer with a crosslinking agent in the presence of a non-aqueous perfume, deodorising or sanitising base; and
  - b. separate timing means for proving an end-of-life indication wherein the timing means comprises an additional element which visibly shrinks over the intended lifetime of the device; and
  - c. actuating means which, when actuated, activates the device to release the perfuming, deodorising or sanitising substance and activates the timing means.
- 2.(original) A device according to claim 1 wherein the functionalised liquid polymer is selected from maleinised polybutadiene, maleinised polyisoprene or a copolymer of ethylene and maleic anhydride and the crosslinking agent contains at least two complementary functional groups.
- 3.(previously presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the non-aqueous perfume, deodorising or sanitising base constitutes from 60 to 95wt% of the gel element.
- 4.(canceled)
- 5.(original) A device according to claim 4 wherein the additional element comprises a gel which shrinks at a greater rate than said anhydrous gel element.
- 6.(previously presented) A device according to claim 4 wherein the additional element comprises particles which shrink, compact or dissolve.

- 7.(original) A device according to claim 6 wherein the particles comprise a malic anhydride-isobutylene copolymer.
- 8.(previously presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the timing means provides an end-of-life indication after from 28 to 40 days use of the device.
- 9.(canceled)
- 10.(original) A device according to claim 9 wherein the actuating means comprises an impermeable foil which covers both the perfuming, deodorising or sanitising substance and the timing means.
- 11.(previously presented) A device according to claim 2 wherein the non-aqueous perfume, deodorising or sanitising base constitutes from 60 to 95wt% of the gel element.
- 12.(previously presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the separate timing means for proving an end-of-life indication is a visible signal means.
- 13.(previously presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the separate timing means for proving an end-of-life indication is an audio signal means.
- 14.(previously presented) A device according to claim 1 wherein the anhydrous gel element comprises conducting particles.
- 15.(previously presented) A device according to claim 14 wherein the conducting particles are selected from carbon black, graphite and metals.